



# **The New Jersey Cultural Trust**

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## **Qualified Organizations by County**

The following seventy-five organizations have been designated “Qualified Organizations” as defined under the rules of The New Jersey Cultural Trust, as of December 2002:

### **Bergen County**

#### **Arts Horizons**

**Englewood, New Jersey**

To foster the development of the whole person and to improve education by delivering quality arts programs and activities to schools and communities.

#### **Friends of the Hermitage, Inc.**

**Ho-Ho-Kus, New Jersey**

The Friends of the Hermitage, Inc. was established to restore, maintain and interpret the Hermitage, along with its grounds and outbuilding. The mission is not only to provide these services, but also to interpret to a diverse audience of students, scholars and the general public the site, its archives and its collections as they relate to local, regional and national history beginning in 1740.

#### **John Harms Center for the Arts**

**Englewood, New Jersey**

The mission of the John Harms Center for the Arts is to make the live performing arts accessible and speak to the lives of its diverse community – building a creative home to artists of excellence and relevance, who entertain and enlighten, inspire and inform its audiences. The Center is an organization of and for the community that it serves by being a creative focus, educational resource and engine of economic vitality.

#### **Leonid Kozlov Dance International, Inc.**

**Ridgewood, New Jersey**

The purpose of Leonid Kozlov Dance International (KDI) is both educational and cultural. KDI offers the highest quality training in dance and theatre to young students, and professional level performances to the community audience. KDI also presents lecture/demonstration workshops and performances in public and private schools, organizations, hospitals and nursing homes.

**Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company****Fort Lee, New Jersey**

The Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company brings the rich tradition of Chinese Art into the contemporary dance world. Over half a million people around the country have shared the original works created by the company, a multi-racial group of dancers from Asia, Europe, South America and North America.

**Old Church Cultural Center School of Art****Demarest, New Jersey**

The mandate of the Old Church Cultural Center School of Art is to improve the quality of life through instruction in fine art and craft. A professional faculty of artists provides serious and sensitive guidance, devoted to the principle that art and craft are inseparable.

**The Sutton Ensemble****Tenafly, New Jersey**

The mission of The Sutton Ensemble is to perform the world's greatest chamber music for as diverse an audience as possible in both conventional and unconventional locations.

**Burlington County****Alice Paul Centennial Foundation****Mt. Laurel, New Jersey**

The mission of the Alice Paul Centennial Foundation is to celebrate and promote the legacy of Alice Paul, noted suffrage leader and author of the Equal Rights Amendment, and to preserve Paulsdale, her family home, as an inspirational and educational site. The Foundation works to educate and encourage women and girls to take leadership responsibilities in their communities and to continue the long struggle for women's equality.

**Camden County****Camden County Historical Society****Collingswood, New Jersey**

The mission of the Camden County Historical Society is to collect, preserve and disseminate the history of Camden County and southern New Jersey in order to serve educational and civic purposes for the Camden County and southern New Jersey communities.

**The Haddonfield Symphony****Haddonfield, New Jersey**

The mission of the Haddonfield Symphony is to maintain and support a symphony orchestra that provides training for tomorrow's orchestra musicians, music directors, soloists, and audiences, by presenting well-rounded, artistically excellent educational programs, which contribute to enriching the cultural life of our global community.

## **Cape May County**

### **Center for Community Arts, Inc.**

**Cape May, New Jersey**

The Center for Community Arts is a multicultural organization that embraces diversity to foster inclusiveness and creativity and to develop arts and cultural programs with traditionally under-served audiences. By embracing all forms of cultural and artistic expression and engaging the people of the Lower Cape and its visitors, the Center works to build community and civic awareness.

### **Friends of the Ocean City Pops**

**Ocean City, New Jersey**

The Friends is a non-profit corporation with the exclusive goal of charitable and educational purposes to promote excellence in the programming, performance, and continuing development of the Ocean City Pops Orchestra.

### **Historic Cold Spring Village**

**Cape May, New Jersey**

Historic Cold Spring Village is a non-profit educational institution established primarily as an open-air living history museum. Its purpose is to function solely and exclusively as an educational, historical and literary foundation. This is carried out by supporting, conducting and sponsoring literary and artistic endeavors through displays, publications, live performances, films, traveling and loan exhibits representative of the 1800's.

## **Cumberland County**

### **Bayshore Discovery Project [Formerly Delaware Bay Schooner Project]**

**Port Norris, New Jersey**

The Bayshore Discovery Project's mission is to motivate people to take care of the environment, the history and the culture of New Jersey's Bayshore region through education, preservation and example. Originally established as the Delaware Bay Schooner Project in 1988, the organization has grown from a small group of conservationists who took on the task of restoring a dilapidated oyster schooner to a multi-faceted provider of education and outreach programs that serve more than 50,000 people each year.

### **Wheaton Village, Inc.**

**Millville, New Jersey**

It is the mission of Wheaton Village to "celebrate and share the creative spirit of American glass and other craft."

## **Essex County**

### **Aljira, A Center for Contemporary Art**

**Newark, New Jersey**

Aljira is a contemporary art center whose mission is to encourage activity in the visual arts, and through the medium of art, to serve as a catalyst for inclusiveness and diversity; to promote cross-cultural dialogue; and to enable us to better understand the time in which we live.

### **ArtsPower, Inc.**

**Montclair, New Jersey**

The mission of ArtsPower National Touring Theatre: to produce and tour nationally recognized, professional theatre of the highest artistic quality and educational value that is intended to nourish children's love of theatre, deepen their connection to pro-social values, and instill in them what it means to be a good person in heart, mind, and deed.

### **New Jersey Chamber Music Society**

**Montclair, New Jersey**

The purpose of the New Jersey Chamber Music Society is to enrich cultural life in the State and beyond by presenting traditional and innovative concerts and education programs of the highest professional quality, and by reaching out to diverse audiences in order to make these activities available to all segments of the general public.

### **New Jersey Performing Arts Center**

**Newark, New Jersey**

The New Jersey Performing Arts Center opened to international acclaim on October 18, 1997 and is the sixth largest arts center in the United States. As a different kind of arts center, NJPAC aims to be a world-class cultural landmark that is community-centered, embracing the diversity of all New Jersey.

### **New Jersey State Opera**

**Newark, New Jersey**

The mission of the New Jersey State Opera is to present the highest quality operatic performances possible to the people of New Jersey, to educate our public (with a particular emphasis on students) to a love and appreciation of the art form, and to offer a programming alternative to the opera productions presented by other major opera companies in our area.

### **New Jersey Symphony Orchestra**

**Newark, New Jersey**

The mission of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra is to engage the people of New Jersey by performing the full symphonic repertoire at the highest caliber in a variety of settings for diverse audiences and to serve with distinction as a nationally recognized orchestra and cultural leader, especially in music education for all ages

**Newark Boys Chorus School****Newark, New Jersey**

The mission of the Newark Boys Chorus School is to inspire a love for learning, a quest for excellence, and a compassion for humanity.

**Newark Public Radio, Inc. (WBGO)****Newark, New Jersey**

WBGO-FM is a noncommercial public radio institution that champions jazz--an American art form through radio, other technology and events. The station serves as a cultural beacon that educates and entertains local, national and international audiences of significant size with high-quality broadcast and other important programming.

**Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center****Bloomfield, New Jersey**

The mission of Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center is to preserve and restore this significant historic site; to promote awareness of the community's history; and to celebrate all forms of cultural expression, past and present.

**Paper Mill Playhouse****Millburn, New Jersey**

Paper Mill Playhouse, the State Theatre of New Jersey, seeks to enrich the cultural lives of a wide and diverse audience. Since opening in 1938, the theatre has become a nationally recognized not-for-profit professional arts center committed to excellence and to preserving the rich heritage of plays and musicals through productions of the highest quality.

**Sharron Miller's Academy for the Performing Arts, Inc.****Montclair, New Jersey**

The mission of Sharron Miller's Academy is to provide comprehensive, developmental training to children, teens and adults with interest and ability in dance and related theater arts without regard to cultural ethnicity or economic background. Programming is designed to build skills, stimulate creativity and foster self-discipline and self-esteem.

**The New Jersey Historical Society****Newark, New Jersey**

The New Jersey Historical Society is a statewide, private, nonprofit historical museum, library, and archives dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting the rich and intricate political, social, cultural, and economic history of New Jersey to the broadest possible audiences. Founded in 1845, it is the oldest cultural institution in the state.

**The Newark Museum Association****Newark, New Jersey**

The Newark Museum operates, as it has since its founding, in the public trust as a museum of service, a leader in connecting objects and ideas to the needs and wishes of its constituencies. It is their stated belief that their art and science collections have the power to educate, inspire and transform individuals of all ages, and the local, regional, national and international communities that they serve.

## **Gloucester County**

### **Gloucester County Historical Society**

**Woodbury, New Jersey**

The mission of the Gloucester County Historical Society is to acquire and preserve artifacts, documents and records that relate to the history of the County, New Jersey and the Delaware Valley; to encourage the protection and preservation of the historical landmarks within the County; to encourage historical research; and to provide related publication materials.

## **Hudson County**

### **Jersey City Museum, Inc.**

**Jersey City, New Jersey**

The Jersey City Museum promotes pride in Hudson County by celebrating its unique cultural history. The Museum preserves and interprets collections of material culture from the region, so that the history of Hudson County is illuminated from generation to generation. The Museum stimulates community participation in the visual arts, giving special attention to contemporary art and recognizing the many visual artists who make Hudson County their home.

### **Liberty Science Center**

**Jersey City, New Jersey**

Liberty Science Center is an innovative learning resource for lifelong exploration of nature, humanity and technology, supporting the growth of this diverse region and promoting informed stewardship of the world.

## **Hunterdon County**

### **Hunterdon Museum of Art**

**Clinton, New Jersey**

Hunterdon Museum of Art is committed to providing quality programming that will enhance and encourage appreciation of, understanding of and involvement with art. This is accomplished through exhibitions that reflect artistic excellence and education programs that include studio, outreach and interpretive experiences.

### **Riverside Symphonia**

**Lambertville, New Jersey**

The mission of the Riverside Symphonia is to provide a locally based, professional orchestra to serve the people of mid-western New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania. The Symphonia strives to reach all segments of the community, regardless of ethnicity, age or financial means and to deliver quality musical performances by composers from all periods to foster the appreciation of our rich and diverse cultural musical heritage.

## **Mercer County**

### **Historical Society of Princeton**

**Princeton, New Jersey**

The Historical Society of Princeton (HSP) is a museum and library dedicated to interpreting the history of Princeton, New Jersey with community support and involvement. Its activities are inspired by the past with the goal of informing the future. HSP displays its permanent collection, mounts special exhibits, develops and implements educational programs and issues publications. HSP collects and preserves historical artifacts, photographs, manuscripts, published works and other related materials. In all its endeavors, HSP continues to be committed to a broad and inclusive representation of Princeton, to fostering collaborative partnerships and to strengthening community.

### **Historic Morven, Inc.**

**Princeton, New Jersey**

Morven, an eighteenth-century house and gardens owned by the State of New Jersey and leased to Historic Morven, exists as a museum and cultural center. The mission of Historic Morven, Inc. is to preserve and manage this national historic property and its collections as a cultural, educational, and historical resource for present and future generations.

### **McCarter Theatre**

**Princeton, New Jersey**

The creation of theater is at the heart of McCarter's artistic mission, and the theater's goals are threefold: to evolve into a world-class theater with a demonstrated commitment to the highest professional and artistic standards; to present a diverse season of classic and contemporary plays that reflect and invite comparison among various aspects of American culture and the universal human experience; and to reinvigorate audiences by welcoming and encouraging all members of the community regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, race or class, to participate in the transformational experience of live performance.

### **New Jersey Council for Humanities**

**Trenton, New Jersey**

The mission of the New Jersey Council for the Humanities is to serve the people of New Jersey by developing, supporting and promoting projects that explore and interpret the human experience, foster cross-cultural understanding and engage people in a dialogue about matters of individual choice and public responsibility.

### **Preservation New Jersey, Inc.**

**Trenton, New Jersey**

Preservation New Jersey's mission is to protect and promote the state's historic resources, communities and landscapes through education and advocacy.

**Princeton Pro Musica****Princeton, New Jersey**

Princeton Pro Musica's mission is the presentation of high-quality performances of masterworks for chorus and /or orchestra, including contemporary and multicultural works; and, the education and enhanced quality of life of present and future audiences

**Princeton Symphony Orchestra****Princeton, New Jersey**

The mission of Princeton Symphony Orchestra is to present the finest classical compositions from the widest range, including unusual and seldom heard works; to enhance audience appreciation of the often unfamiliar works through lectures and presentations; to create an outstanding performance opportunity for the many excellent musicians in the central New Jersey region, and to reach out to new audiences both geographically and demographically.

**The American Boychoir School****Princeton, New Jersey**

The mission of The American Boychoir School is to sustain and move forward with a distinctively American voice a one-thousand year-old choral music tradition; to create a truly national choir that provides an exceptional education program for musically talented boys, regardless of their religion, race, social background, or financial circumstances; to enrich the cultural and educational life of our nation; and to produce a musical performance organization that is recognized throughout the world as the finest of its kind.

**Middlesex County****George Street Playhouse****New Brunswick, New Jersey**

The Playhouse's mission is to serve as a vital cultural institution in New Jersey and as a creative force nationally for theatre development; achieve the highest level of professionalism in Main Stage productions, outreach programs and organizational initiatives; serve as an artistic, educational and social resource; positively shape and be shaped by the character of our community; and to assure access to theatre arts for the broadest possible spectrum of citizens.

**Institute for Arts and Humanities Education****New Brunswick, New Jersey**

The mission of the Institute for Arts and Humanities Education is to provide innovative, interdisciplinary programs in the arts and humanities to students, their teachers and their families, with emphasis on serving at-risk and under-served communities.



**Rutgers Film Co-Op/New Jersey Media Arts Center, Inc.****New Brunswick, New Jersey**

Rutgers Film Co-Op is dedicated to the non-commercial exhibition of the media arts and to furthering media arts education. The goals are to broaden the public's understanding of the media arts; to offer multi-cultural media arts programming that reflects the diversity of our audiences and communities; to provide a forum for classic, experimental, independent and international cinema; to preserve classic cinema in an archive and library; and to teach film and videomaking. The aim is to enlighten and entertain audiences.

**State Theatre Regional Arts Center at New Brunswick****New Brunswick, New Jersey**

The State Theatre Regional Arts Center at New Brunswick exists to enrich the lives of people from diverse backgrounds in New Jersey and to contribute to a vital urban environment by presenting the finest national and international performing arts, providing arts education to inform and build future audiences, assisting community arts organizations with technical and other professional expertise and encouraging New Jersey artists by providing a first-class showcase for their work.

**Monmouth County****Algonquin Arts****Manasquan, New Jersey**

The mission of Algonquin Arts is to provide cultural enrichment and educational enhancement of the highest artistic quality to residents of New Jersey's central region through live performance, film and educational programs and services.

**Count Basie Theatre****Red Bank, New Jersey**

The Count Basie Theatre and Performing Arts Center is a performing arts center producing and presenting quality arts programs and activities to promote appreciation and understanding of the arts and to enrich the lives of its diverse community. Count Basie Theatre's vision is to be recognized as a leader in the arts by extending the Theatre into a regional arts performance and learning center.

**Monmouth Civic Chorus****Red Bank, New Jersey**

Monmouth Civic Chorus presents a wide variety of choral repertoire for the enjoyment of concert audiences in Monmouth County and beyond. More than one hundred volunteer members are given the opportunity to further develop their musical talents. Presenting selections that attract a variety of cultural groups, ages and levels of musical sophistication is the goal. The Chorus strives to enrich the community through participation in its musical life.

**Monmouth County Arts Council****Red Bank, New Jersey**

The mission of the Monmouth County Arts Council is to promote artistic excellence and public interest in the arts, provide assistance and services to arts organizations, institutions and individuals and significantly enhance the impact of the arts and arts education on the quality of life in Monmouth County.

**Monmouth County Historical Association****Freehold, New Jersey**

The purposes of the Monmouth County Historical Association are to collect, preserve, interpret and make available to the public furnishings, artifacts, buildings, manuscripts, artwork and publications related to the County's history. The Association also promotes the study and appreciation of regional and national history through its collections, educational programs, exhibits, publications, library and archives. Through its pursuit of these objectives, the Association enriches the quality of life in Monmouth County.

**Shrewsbury Chorale****Shrewsbury, New Jersey**

The purpose of the Chorale is to provide an opportunity for those in the area to sing sacred and secular choral music of a high quality; to periodically present concerts for the enjoyment of the residents; to develop among its members and the community an appreciation for good music and high standards of choral work.

**Two River Theatre Company****Red Bank, New Jersey**

Two River Theatre Company is a not-for-profit professional theatre in Red Bank, New Jersey, established to provide the opportunity for theatre artists to work at and for the community's theatre audience, to witness theatre events, the choice and character of which will be guided by a number of beliefs: theatre is a necessary institution if society is to maintain a truly human discourse and strive toward significant communality. Two River Theatre Company will choose to perform from the world body of dramatic literature, including new works, those plays which, despite their inevitable fragmentary perspectives, most richly direct our gaze to the life of the human spirit in all of its shifting modes, its thought, its suffering, its passion, its joy and laughter.

**Morris County****Arts Council of the Morris Area****Madison, New Jersey**

The mission of the Arts Council of the Morris Area is to significantly enhance the arts and their impact on the quality of life in the Morris Area.

**Canal Society of New Jersey****Morristown, New Jersey**

The Canal Society of New Jersey is a nonprofit organization chartered in 1969 to foster the study of the history of New Jersey's two towpath canals, educate the public in this history, preserve and restore physical canal remains and artifacts, and provide enjoyment to its members by visiting canals and other historic sites.

**Colonial Symphony****Basking Ridge, New Jersey**

The Colonial Symphony's mission is to sustain and nurture an outstanding orchestra for Northern New Jersey, sponsor only performances of the highest quality, integrity and merit, emphasize a balance of traditional and contemporary classical music, and enhance music understanding and performance skills through education outreach.

**Macculloch Hall Historical Museum****Morristown, New Jersey**

Macculloch Hall Historical Museum preserves the history of the Macculloch-Miller families and the Morris Area community, and the legacy of its founder, W. Parsons Todd through its historic site, collections, exhibits, educational and cultural programs. The museum is a not-for-profit educational affiliate of the W. Parsons Todd Foundation.

**Museum of Early Trades & Crafts****Madison, New Jersey**

The Museum of Early Trades and Crafts is an educational institution that explores and presents the history and lifeways of ordinary pre-industrial America through its collections, presentations, and exhibitions of hand tools and their products.

**New Jersey Shakespeare Festival of Morris****Madison, New Jersey**

The New Jersey Shakespeare Festival is the State's only professional theatre company dedicated to the presentation of Shakespeare's canon and other classic, dramatic entertainments for the cultural enrichment of the community. The Festival places an equal emphasis on education – both for young artists and young audiences. They endeavor to promote all of the arts, literacy, civilization, community, cultural awareness, the theatrical tradition, and a more enlightened view of the world we live in and the people with whom we share it.

**Playwright's Theatre of New Jersey, Inc.****Madison, New Jersey**

Playwright's Theatre is a community of professional playwrights, theatre artists and art educators that provides opportunities for writers to develop their works in a nurturing environment and connect with new audiences. Educational programs include the New Play Development Program through which playwrights, theatre artists and audiences collaborate, and the Writers Project which provides hands-on workshops led by professional writers-in-residence to students in schools and community centers throughout the state.

**South Street Theater Co., Inc.****Morristown, New Jersey**

The Community Theatre will become "a place for all the arts," offering the full range of performing arts for all segments of the community. The Theatre will also become an educational resource, with master classes and internship opportunities. The overall goal is to become one of the very best performing arts venues in the country, one sought after by audiences and performers alike.

**The Craftsman Farms Foundation, Inc****Morris Plains, New Jersey**

The mission of The Craftsman Farms Foundation, Inc. is to interpret, restore and preserve Craftsman Farms and the artifacts and ideals associated with Gustav Stickley and the Arts and Crafts movement and to demonstrate the continuing relevance of Gustav Stickley and the movement.

**The Growing Stage Theatre for Young Audiences, Inc.****Netcong, New Jersey**

The mission of The Growing Stage Theatre is to nurture the development of the performing arts in our community through education, and to create, produce and perform works that engage the entire family.

**The Morris Museum****Morristown, New Jersey**

The mission of the Morris Museum is to elevate the cultural consciousness, excite the mind and enhance the quality of life. The Morris Museum advances the understanding and enjoyment of the visual and performing arts, natural and physical sciences and humanities through exhibitions, performances and educational programs in a welcoming, inclusive and creative environment that responsibly uses all Museum resources.

**The New Philharmonic of New Jersey****Cedar Knolls, New Jersey**

The mission of the New Philharmonic of New Jersey is to enhance the cultural life of our community by providing a complete range of fine musical programming; to educate the community in the uplifting benefits of our music; to educate our youth to the enjoyment of fine music and to provide performance opportunities for musicians.

## **Ocean County**

### **Barnegat Bay Decoy & Baymen's Museum, Inc.**

**Tuckerton, New Jersey**

The mission of the Barnegat Bay Decoy and Baymen's Museum is to preserve, present and interpret the rich maritime history, heritage and environment of the New Jersey Shore and the unique contributions of its baymen.

### **Long Beach Island Foundation of the Arts and Sciences**

**Loveladies, New Jersey**

The Long Beach Island Foundation of the Arts and Sciences is devoted to the teaching, support and enhancement of the creative arts and physical sciences. Through its classes, exhibitions and other activities the Foundation provides broad educational and cultural programs for all ages.

### **Ocean County Historical Society**

**Toms River, New Jersey**

The mission of the Ocean County Historical Society is to preserve all aspects of the history of Ocean County and to educate its citizens about their history through publications, exhibitions, programs and classes.

## **Passaic County**

### **American Labor Museum/Botto House National Landmark**

**Heledon, New Jersey**

The overall purpose of the American Labor Museum is to advance public understanding of the history of work, workers and the labor movement in the United States.

## **Salem County**

### **Appel Farm Arts and Music Center**

**Elmer, New Jersey**

Appel Farm's mission is to provide people of all ages, cultures, and economic backgrounds with a supportive, cooperative environment in which to explore the fine and performing arts. This commitment is rooted in the belief that the arts are an exciting and essential part of the learning process, and that artistic talent is innate and waiting to be developed in every person.

## **Somerset County**

### **Philharmonic Orchestra of New Jersey, Inc.**

**Warren, New Jersey**

The mission of the Philharmonic Orchestra of New Jersey, a professional symphony orchestra, is to perform concerts and to increase the appreciation of classical music through educational offerings.

### **The Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House**

**Warren, New Jersey**

The mission of the Friends is to restore, develop and operate the Jacobus Vanderveer House property, significant in United States military history, as a nationally important historic site and an educational and community resource.

## **Union County**

### **Historical Society of Plainfield**

**Plainfield, New Jersey**

The purpose and mission of this organization is to foster an interest in history through educational programs and to maintain the Drake House Museum for the City of Plainfield, New Jersey.

### **Reeves-Reed Arboretum**

**Summit, New Jersey**

The Reeves-Reed Arboretum is a suburban conservancy dedicated to environmental and horticultural education for children and adults and to the enjoyment of nature through the professional care and preservation of a former country estate.

### **The Community Players**

**Westfield, New Jersey**

The Players' objective is to stimulate an interest in drama by the presentation of plays and to provide a means of artistic expression for a group interested in learning the techniques of the theater and ensemble acting. The totally volunteer Board, actors, directors and stage crews carry out this mission by presenting plays of merit to the local community.

### **Westfield Symphony Orchestra**

**Westfield, New Jersey**

The mission of the Westfield Symphony Orchestra is to promote the world's legacy of symphonic and operatic music to Westfield, Union County, and New Jersey residents and involve them in this rich heritage through a diversity of professional musical experiences, including performance, education and mentoring.